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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re of:

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| Application No.: | 10/574,831 | Examiner: | Carol M. Koslow |
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| For: | CODING SYSTEM FOR VALUE DOCUMENTS | | |

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED AUGUST 28, 2009

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is responsive to the Office Action mailed August 28, 2009 regarding the above-identified application. Reconsideration of the application is requested in view of the amendments and comments presented herein.

AMENDMENT

Amendments to the Claims

The claims are amended as shown on the following pages under the heading "LIST OF CURRENT CLAIMS". This listing of claims supersedes all prior listings of the claims presented in this application, shows the current status of all claims in the application and shows currently proposed amendments.